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Mr. Richard Patten, M.P.P.
Queen's Park,
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Dear Mr Patten,

This will inform you that an Ontario man shot and killed himself June second after being told by COMSOC that his environmental sensitivity was psychosomatic. (No COMSOC doctor ever examined the patient.) Mr. Sweeney has been approached more than a hundred times to get his ministerial officials to stop trashing people with this disability.

When I approached your office concerned about the ruthless cruelty with which Ms Caplan is covering up damages caused to the environmentally sensitive your assistant told me you said "If Chris is upset about how his human rights are being dealt with maybe he should try another country". Perhaps if this man had lived in another country he would not have had the illusion that senior government officials can be expected to show a minimum amount of integrity, and would not have been so tragically disappointed.

The Ministers of COMSOC, Health, Disabled Persons, and the Premier have all privately expressed their belief in the legitimacy of concerns of the environmentally sensitive, but have refused dozens of requests to deal with damaging attitudes fostered by government. The blood of this most recent suicide is on the hands of every minister in your cabinet. You have sat on a four year old report which contained several recommendations about education in the medical community, the public health community, and the community at large. Every minister has been informed of governmental officials who have made bigoted comments, who have even lied. Even the office of Mr. Peterson's assistant, Mr. Ashworth, has resisted dozens of requests to help prevent future suicides.

Perhaps I should have given a refrigerator?

The expression of sympathy made by all these ministers only confirms their hypocritical, irresponsible, and vicious nature, in that all concerned seem more preoccupied with covering up the damages they've caused than in preventing future deaths.

Sincerely,

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